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SUBJECT: VISIT OF YUGOSLAV MAYORS TO U.S.

REF: EMBASSY IVP CANDIDATES, FY 1975 AND PREVIOUS

- 1. VISIT OF SIX YUGOSLAV MAYORS TO U.S. HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH JOHN GUNTHER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS. GUNTHER WROTE PERMANENT CONFERENCE OF YUGOSLAV CITIES SEPTEMBER 1974. YUGOSLAV CONFERENCE REPLIED THAT THEY WOULD WRITE AGAIN WHEN DECISION FOR THEIR TRAVEL TO U.S. FIRM, BUT GUNTHER HAS HAD NO FURTHER WORD.
- 2. ANNUAL U.S. MAYOR'S CONFERENCE IS SCHEDULED FOR BOSTON, JULY 5-9 1975 AND GUNTHER REPORTS CONFERENCE WOULD BE PLEASED TO RECEIVE YUGOSLAV MAYORS. U.S. CONFERENCE WOULD ALSO CONSIDER SENDING RETURN US DELEGATION IN 1976.
- 3. SINCE THERE IS POSSIBILITY OF COST-SHARING BY U.S. CONFERENCE, SUGGEST EMBASSY NOMINATE YUGOSLAV MAYORS AS IV'S IN FY 75 OR 76 FOR 3 WEEK VISIT, AND SCHEDULE U.S. VISIT TO BEGIN WITH ATTENDANCE AT BOSTON CONFERENCE. IF RETURN VISIT EVENTUATES, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YUGOSLAV OFFER UNCLASSIFIED

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TO PAY INTERNAL COSTS FOR U.S. MAYORS.

4. WILL APPRECIATE EMBASSY CONFIRMATION THAT YUGOSLAV MAYORS PLANNING VISIT THIS SUMMER. GROUP OF SIX WILL REQUIRE TWO E/IS AND CONSIDERABLE ADVANCE PLANNING. INGERSOLL

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